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The Revival Meetings.

Gratifying Increase in Interest the Past Week in the Services of the Christian Crusaders—Many Conversions Noted.

Reported for The News.

The Prayers of the Christian people are prevailing with God in behalf of the special series of revival meetings, which are being conducted under the auspices of the Christian Crusaders, in our town. During the past week the seating capacity of the Tabernacle has been well filled on almost every night. The news of these soul-refreshing services is spreading far and wide, and the good people from the adjacent country are availing themselves of this blessed privilege of getting a spiritual uplift, while "Jesus is passing this way." The interest is rapidly increasing.

The power of God to convict and convert man from sin to his former state of favor with God, has been demonstrated in a very marked manner in several of the meetings during the week. There have been some bright cases of conversion.

The following are a few facts pertaining to the visible results of these meetings, which might be of interest to those of the public who have the work at heart: The principal gospel message given to the attentive audience on Wednesday night, by Maj. Keith, brought before the people the important question, from Kings 18: 21, "How long halt ye between two opinions?" The Holy Spirit drove the question home to many hearts, and after pondering the solemn question, many were brought under conviction. After the congregation had been dismissed, a very prominent young man of the town remained. General Light and one of his Lieutenants talked with him and instructed him how to find peace to his weary, sin-burdened soul. They knelt in prayer with him at the altar, and though he was not fully satisfied when he arose from the altar, he said that he had received a great blessing.

The young man had previously remarked, "I would give ten years of my life to feel for five minutes as happy as General Light feels," but when he felt the love of God shed abroad in his own heart, he exclaimed, "I have obtained the greatest thing in the world for nothing." He felt that he should commit himself to God publicly and acknowledge Him before the people, and promised to do so. According to promise, he was numbered in the large congregation of Thursday night. When the altar service was entered upon, in compliance with the invitation extended to the unrepentant to come to Christ, the young man stepped voluntarily forward to the altar,

and in a calm, deliberate manner, got upon his knees and prayed audibly to God for pardon. When he received the evidence that his sins were forgiven, and that he had been adopted into "The royal family of God," he wept for joy, and then in the power of God, spoke thus:—"Verily, I now believe that I would not have failed to have come here tonight, although I would have had to crawl, and why, because last night, after the meeting had been dismissed, and all the congregation had withdrawn except me, and at the time of night when most of you had retired to your beds, I lingered behind, and after talking for some time with these Christian workers, knelt at the altar, and poured out my soul to the all-wise God. My heart throbbed and pulsed with His divine love, as I united my prayers to gether with theirs, and I am here tonight to tell you that I know God loves me, and that His strong, loving arms are about my unworthy person. I know that He will guide me in the way of righteousness. Although my pathway may be filled with many ups and downs, I know that He will sustain me, and I am determined never to despair. He has made me so happy and contented!—God has given me supernatural strength and power to stand here and talk in this way. I could not do so, unless he had. I ask these people to pray that I may resist all temptations which may beset me, and that God may enable me to be victorious.

Personally, I feel that I am saved to night, but I am looking into the faces of others who are in the same condition as I was. O God! it would be the dearest pleasure of my life if I could feel that it was through my instrumentality and influence that one soul had been saved. God grant that others!"—The sentence was left unfinished, and he fell upon his knees, weeping and praying for his friends whom he desired to see saved.

In the testimonial services on Thursday night, when the Leader said confession was in order, as well as personal testimony, a brother arose and confessed that he had not been right with God, but having repented of his backslidings, he had the peace and joy of God's salvation restored to his heart and now feels all right. He requested the Christians to pray for him.

The son of a widow, for whom prayer was offered on Sunday afternoon, a week ago, and whom the sainted father longed to see saved, knelt at the altar on Thursday night. His entire physical being was wrought upon as he pleaded for pardon. His mother and friend knelt and prayed with him. A daughter of this widow was saved in these meetings, and another in her home. God is doing the best of her heart—he salvation of her child.

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The Graded Schools.

Report of Supt. Banks on the Work of the Past Session. ---The Honor Roll.

The 13th. annual session of the Lancaster Graded Schools began Sept. 4th. 1905, and ended May 18th. 1906. This has probably been the best year in its history, in several respects; first, the enrollment has exceeded that of any previous year, and this is true also of the average attendance; second, there has been very little serious sickness; third, the character of the work done has been thorough, and the standard has been advanced in keeping with that of other correlated schools; fourth, the diligence, fidelity to duty and harmony of action in the corps of teachers has been noteworthy; fifth, though there were epidemics of measles and smallpox and a large number of the children were vaccinated, yet these things did not seriously affect the attendance. The Superintendent desires here to thank the entire body of teachers and the Board of Trustees for their faithful performance of duty, zeal in their work, and their hearty cooperation, in all matters relating to the welfare of the schools.

The enrollment during the year in all the schools has been as follows:

Central School	395
Cotton Mill School	203
Total white ch'n en'd	598
Colored School	368

Total in all schools 966 against 914 last year.

It is but just to say that the pupils on the whole have been studious, respectful, obedient, as much so as any school known to the Superintendent. In short, it is claimed that the Lancaster Graded Schools are among the best and most efficient in the state.

The following is the annual "Roll of Honor" by Grades:— Highly distinguished means 95 to 100 per cent; distinguished means 90 to 95 per cent; attendance means 100 per cent.

First Grade, teacher, Miss Nora Hough.

Scholarship—Vernon Payseur, Marion Moore, Eline Mitchell, Louise Wybe, Olivett Blackmon, Ivah Nisbet, Helen Williamson, Julian Ross, Marion Allison, Robert Glenn, Hallie Sowell, Freddie Knight, Mildred Green, Willie B. Knight. Attendance—Jesse McNinch.

Second Grade, teacher, Miss Eloise Foster.

Highly Distinguished—Dorothy Moore, Louise Pugh, R. L. Crawford. Distinguished—Henry Blackmon, Marie Storgis, Ernest Beatty, John Henry Clyburn, James T. Hough, Emma Glenn, Ruth Funderburk, Kenan Moore, Nell Sturge, O'Dell Horton.

Third Grade, teacher, Miss Florence Thomasson.

Distinguished—Orin Blackmon, Leila Porter, Euphemia Ganson, Malcom Williamson, Crawford Culp, Hazel Stover, Louise Robinson, Clyburn Wilson, Hannah Percy, Perry B. Bennett, Henry Moore. Attendance, Louise Robinson, Crawford Culp.

Fourth Grade, teacher, Mrs. T. Y. Williams. Highly Distinguished—Maude Clyburn, Ruth Riddle. Distinguished—George Fairy Poovey, Pierce Horton, Effie Culp, Lean Cauthen, Charley Cook, Elliott Springs, Mary Moore, Ruth McCordell, Zelma Johnson. Attendance—Goe Fairy Poovey, Pierce Horton, Effie Culp, Zelma Johnson, Maude Clyburn.

Fifth Grade, teacher, Mr. J. K. Connors.

Distinguished—Kate Hines, Cantzon Moore, Bennie Culp, Reace Funderburk. Attendance, Lucius Bennett.

Sixth Grade, teacher, Miss Gertrude Foster.

Highly Distinguished—Sadie Blackmon, Nannie Hill Moore. Distinguished—Jesse Lee Blackmon, John Blackmon, Willie Blackmon, Chalmers King, Thos. Chantrell. Attendance—Marie Clyburn, Nannie Hill Moore.

Seventh Grade, teachers, Miss Bessie McDow and A. R. Banks.

Highly Distinguished—John Clyburn, Bessie Robinson, Robbie Porter, Bessie Sowell. Distinguished—Kate McManus, Mary Davis, Monnie Hathecock, Blecker Hinson, Marguirite Jones, Nannie King, Mildred Lindsay, Mary Knight, Kelly Mitchell, Jeannette Pong, Connie Porter, Corrinne Thomson, Lillie Green, Mary Williamson, Leila Gregory.

Eighth Grade, John A. Jenkins and A. R. Banks, teachers.

Highly Distinguished—Mary Massey, Joyce Clark, Margaret Moore. Distinguished—Beth Brown, Elfrida Pong.

Ninth Grade, teachers, John A. Jenkins and A. R. Banks.

Highly Distinguished—Maude Moore, Perrine Stover. Distinguished—Lillian Stover, Pearl McManus, Etta Skipper, Kelly Cunningham, Robert Cunningham.

Special attention is called to the names of those pupils which appear on the "Honor Roll" under the head of "Attendance". It is a source of regret that there are so few; but when we consider the fact that we passed through two epidemics, this is a good showing, and these pupils deserve special mention.

The total enrollment for the year ending June 1st 1903 was 693. This year it is 966, showing an increase of 273 or 39.12 per cent, which should be gratifying to our people.

A. R. Banks Supt. May 18th, 1906.

Mrs. R. E. Wylie, of Lancaster, S. C., went yesterday to the city, a guest at the Grand Hotel. Yesterday's Charlotte Observer.

Death of Mr. John P. Twitty.

After Months of Suffering, Mr. Twitty Passed Away Yesterday Morning.

Mr. John P. Twitty, a well known and highly esteemed citizen of Heath Springs section, died yesterday morning, about 3 o'clock. He had been sick with stomach trouble, for about three months. He was taken to Rock Hill hospital some weeks ago for treatment, as noted in The News at the time, but his case being a hopeless one, he was carried back home.

Mr. Twitty was the eldest son of Mr. P. T. Twitty, of Heath Springs, and was about 38 years old. He leaves a widow, who was Miss Ella Truesdale, of Camden, and two children. He is survived by his father and the following brothers and sisters: Dr. W. C. Twitty, of Kershaw; Mr. W. B. Twitty, of Heath Springs; Mrs. S. H. Griffith, of Gaffney; Mrs. H. F. Hall, of Liberty Hill; Mrs. John T. Mackey, of Camden, and Miss Gladys Twitty, of Heath Springs.

Mr. Twitty was a man of sterling character and enjoyed the unbounded confidence of all who knew him. He was a zealous and consistent member of the Baptist church. The remains were buried at Salem cemetery yesterday afternoon.

Crushed to Death in Mill Shafting.

Union special in The State.—A horrible accident is reported to have occurred at Jonesville about 8 o'clock this morning, when Rufus Smith, a negro laborer in the dye plant of the Jonesville Manufacturing company, was caught in the shafting and so dashed against the ceiling before the engine could be stopped, that many bones were broken as a result of which he died a few hours later.

A belt had slipped from the pulley and Smith was standing on one of the chrome machines attempting to put it back when by a careless movement he stumbled and throwing out his hand, in which he had a wet stocking, caught on the shafting and in an instant it drew him up and was whirling him through the air.

—As will be seen by notice elsewhere, books of subscription to the capital stock of the People's Supply Company will be opened next Monday. This is the company recently referred to in the "Advertiser" as going to be organized in Lancaster. The parties who are getting up this new mercantile establishment are prominent business and professional men of the community and situated in a most favorable county. It will no doubt be a large and successful business.